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UNIVERSITY CALENDAR

Nov. 23. German Club. Ladies' parlors, 8 p. m.
Nov. 25. 4 p. m. to Nov. 30, at 8 a. m. Thanksgiving Holidays.
Dec. 3. 8 p. m., and Dec. 4, all day, Oriental sale, A. W. C. A., University auditorium.
Dec. 4. Lecture, John T. McCutcheon, Auditorium.
Dec. 11 and 12. Inauguration of President A. Ross Hill.
Dec. 12. "She Stoops to Conquer."
Dec. 18. Lecture, Lorado Taft, Auditorium.

THE UNIVERSITY BAND.

The students of the University of Missouri need not be afraid of saying too much in praise of the band. Other universities may have better football teams, better departments, finer buildings, but not one in the United States can boast of having as good a band. Even the best military schools in the world, West Point and Annapolis, were forced to concede to Missouri the honor of leading in this particular.

When the cadets went to the Jamestown Exposition they were forced to compete with the best trained cadets in the country and were naturally not quite so finished in their work. But when our band made its appearance "the stuff was all off." Other bands gave up in discouragement and their instruments were locked up in the cases, not to appear again until the standard of competition was not so high.

The band is not fairly good; it is very good. It is one of the best in the middle west and plays music which few bands will undertake. Its thirty-five pieces make a volume of music which is inspiring and when speeches fail to arouse enthusiasm, just turn the band loose on "Dixie." No Freshman is fully impressed with the reverence which is due "Old Missouri" until the majestic strains of the band playing that refrain bring every man, woman and child to their feet.

And the band does good. Eleven sweating, panting, and oftentimes bleeding Tigers are crouched on the ground waiting for the passing of the ball to set in motion that plunging, charging, fighting mass. Perhaps the struggle is desperate and defeat or victory depends on the next few downs, and maybe the men are weak and exhausted by long, hard playing. Bitterness, or weakness, or possibly despair creeps into the heart of some poor man on whom the play depends; and he weakens. Then is the time when the band wins games for the thrilling ring of some stirring air goes straight from his ears to his heart and inspires his very soul with new life; the ball is passed to him and he plunges with superhuman strength through a hole in the line and fighting irresistibly, he and the band carry the ball over the line for the winning score.

WANTED—ARMY OFFICERS.

According to a late report from the War Department, the army is sadly in need of officers and every opportunity is being offered in order that the existing vacancies may be filled. It is not generally known that it is comparatively an easy matter to secure a commission in the various branches of the service without going through West Point; and to this end the War Department is sending out letters giving full information as to the requirements.

The requirements demanded are, that the applicant be physically, morally and mentally qualified in order to grace the coveted shoulder straps. There are two ways, besides through the military academy by which the rank of Second Lieutenant may be attained. The easiest way is to enlist as a private and serve two years in the regular army and then take an examination and "go up from the ranks."

Any man of fair ability and possessing a good high school education with the proper preparation can pass the examination.

The second way is by civilian appointment. Each year the Secretary of War designates men to compete for the vacancies that may be open after the

enlisted candidates have been provided for. The examinations given the civilians are the same as are given the enlisted men and are in English, Mathematics, History, Constitution of the United States, International Law, Army and Navy Regulations and Geography. If the candidate wishes to enter the Coast Artillery he must also have a knowledge of Chemistry, Mechanics and Electricity.

By a recent order from the War Department, any Engineering graduate who desires the coast artillery is exempted from the examination in all the subjects except, the additional subjects enumerated above and the Constitution of the United States and the International Law.

SOCIETY

NINETEEN former students of the Johns Hopkins University now enrolled on the University faculty, gathered at a reunion and dinner at the Gordon Hotel, Friday evening. The occasion was the reunion of Johns Hopkins alumni now being held in Baltimore. A permanent organization of the Johns Hopkins men here was formed, and plans were made for similar meetings in the future. It was decided to send a telegram of greeting to the alumni meeting in Baltimore, and to take steps to secure a representative of the Johns Hopkins University to attend the inauguration of President Hill. The Johns Hopkins song, "Veritas Vos Liberabit," was sung.

Those present were: H. M. Belden, W. J. Calvert, H. V. Canter, J. W. Conaway, W. C. Curtis, George E. Dutton, Charles W. Greene, J. C. Jones, George T. Kline, George Lefevre, Raymond D. Miller, W. McN. Miller, Charles A. Myers, Robert L. Ramsay, H. M. Reese, H. C. Reutsehler, E. H. Schorer, John R. Scott, James M. Wright.

The Sigma Chi fraternity will hold its annual dinner in the Pompeian room at the Hotel Baltimore, Kansas City, Wednesday evening. Active fraternity members will be present from the University of Missouri and the University of Kansas and alumni members from Nebraska, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Colorado. Judge Howard Ferris of Cincinnati will be the guest of honor. Joseph W. Vernon, president of the Kansas City Alumni chapter, will be toastmaster. Responses will be made by Hugh C. Smith of St. Joseph, Mo., Judge Howard Ferris of Cincinnati, R. O. Douglas of Lawrence, Kan., H. P. Wright and the Rev. Ernest V. Claypool of Kansas City, and Henry Mansur of the Columbia chapter.

The Y. W. C. A. girls entertained a few friends at an informal reception at their house on Lowry street Friday evening. The guests were Messrs. Wolfers, Jenks, Crowder, Mahan, Lewis, Lasell, W. S. Smith, L. Smith, O. Smith and Trullinger. Mrs. Lewis, chaperoned the party.

Miss Elenor Canny left the city today for her home in Kansas City where she will spend the Thanksgiving holidays.

Miss Willie Alsbaugh returned to her home in Sedalia today where she will spend the Thanksgiving holidays.

OF MISSOURIANS AND MISSOURI

REAR Admiral James M. Miller, governor of the United States Naval home in Philadelphia, died in that city Nov. 11. He was a Missouri man, having been appointed to the navy from Liberty in 1863. During the Spanish-American war he commanded the cruiser Columbia.

William Maynard, one of the State's veteran journalists, died November 12. Coming from New York after the Civil War, in which he took part, he settled in Moberly, where for thirty years as editor of the Monitor, Headlight, and other papers, he was a journalist of high rank. Few men were more influential in building up that section of North Missouri than William Maynard.

Webb City has a Zinc Ore Tariff Club. Its object is to get Congress to place a tariff on imported zinc, because Mexican ores are ruining the business of the Missouri district. They have appointed delegates to the American Mining Congress to meet in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where S. D. Mitchell of Carthage will read an article on setting forth conditions in Missouri.

Joplin is trying to round up several gangs of thieves and burglars. In one night they robbed a grocery, a drug-shop, and a city tool house. In one case they took money, in another merchandise, and the other, tools, so it is believed that there are three separate gangs.

The new building for biology and geology at Amherst College has reached a point where it is nearly ready for its roof. It has a frontage of about 140 feet and is two stories high. The construction is of reinforced concrete.

SPIRIT OF THE NEWS

The First National Bank of Fort Scott, known throughout Kansas as "Grant Hornaday's bank," has closed its doors. The bank has lost in deposits since the panic of last year. There was a run on the bank for two days, which necessitated the closing of the doors. Announcement was made to depositors that 50 per cent of the dividends would be paid by January 1, and the balance in three or four months. Only the stockholders, it is said, will lose anything. Grant Hornaday was a banker-politician and is a prominent man throughout Kansas. He has been "mentioned" several times as a candidate for governor, and was a candidate for Congress several years ago. He was always known as a member of the "machine." Hornaday has lived in Kansas since 1876. He has done much for the town of Fort Scott, it being full of "Hornaday Institutions." The failure of his bank has caused much surprise in that section of the country.

When the Queen of Spain recently announced her intention of prohibiting bull-fighting in Spain, she launched herself on a sea of troubles. This national sport of the Latin countries is so inherent in the people that it would be impossible to put an end to it. Without the great "Corrida de Toros" life to the average Spaniard would be uninteresting and a bore.

At every bull-fight at least five bulls are killed and sometimes as many horses. The crowds go wild with enthusiasm when the "matador," with a clever thrust puts an end to the enraged bull. The champion matador of Spain was killed in Mexico last year, and the head of the bull that killed him was placed in a store window in the business district. It attracted so great a crowd that traffic was for a time stopped.

Bull-fighting can no more be prohibited in these countries than can football in our own country. It was tried in the City of Mexico and failed, and now the government is building the largest bull ring in the world in that city. It could no more be stopped in Spain than it could in Mexico. The Queen is attempting one of the most unpopular changes that could be possible.

King Victor Emanuel, of Italy, is the one sovereign in the world who has never had a debt. His expenses, however are enormous. He hands over \$400,000 a year to his mother, and keeps up from eight to ten palaces, and is paying off the debt of an extravagant father, and a still more extravagant grandfather.

Victor Emanuel holds the theory that while the country is poor, her sovereign should pay off debts. He abhorred the idea of pawning his jewels should he get in debt so he therefore decided to cut down expenses. He disposed of one hundred head of horses that were at the Quirinal palace, eating much and doing little, and kept only those that were needed for royal use. In addition to this, he discharged several cooks, and the queen has to wear the same gowns and hats as many as three times. Certainly this kind of a king will never leave his country bankrupt.

VAUGHN BRYANT.

VICTORIEN SARDOU

It is an older generation of playgoers and an older order of theater managers who will most regret the death of Sardou. The vogue of the Sardou play has for some time been on the wane. A new public has new dramatic ideals and standards, and the quarter of a century since "Daniel Rochat" and "Fedora," which has brought Ibsen and Shaw on the boards and has heard the changes rung on the "problem play," inevitably relegated Sardou to the background.

But what modern playwright has so long exercised his charm over audiences as Sardou? His plays were a sure guarantee of box-office receipts to managers, and the fame of more emotional actresses was bound up in his roles than is true of any other recent dramatic author. What one of his contemporaries could boast so large an output of marketable drama?

The Sardou drama is in no sense literature. It is doubtful if a solitary passage remains in popular memory, a single epigram. He was a playwright in whom the acting possibilities of the play and the demands of stage management were always uppermost. He was in a sense the Dumas pere of the French stage, adapting to dramatic needs the skill in portraying human action and human motive on a historical background which distinguishes the great master of romantic fiction and showing a parallel gift in the creation of situations of intense interest.—New York World.

Minnesota Swimming Pool.

A seven thousand dollar swimming pool is to be built at Minnesota for the use of the students. It will be 25x60 feet, with a depth at one end of five feet, at the other nine feet.

VIEWPOINTS

(The University Missourian invites contributions, not to exceed 200 words, on matters of University interest. The name of the writer should accompany such letters, but will not be printed unless desired. The University Missourian does not express approval nor disapproval of these communications by printing them.)

To the Editor of the University Missourian:

The palm garden on the north end of the second floor of Academic Hall is getting to be as popular as the campus or Balance Rock for the inevitables of the University. The Horticultural men did not realize what a nice cozy corner they were shutting off when they placed the plants there. In colder weather it will be still more popular and as it is a small place an addition might be necessary. A few nice pillows would be appreciated, as well as several footstools for the higher wind-downs on either side. The floor might be carpeted with a few rugs, also, but this would add more to looks than comfort. The enthusiasm of the campus club will wane when the bitter blasts sweep around the corners of the buildings and freeze the delicate street trotters. Some provision must be made for them and this would be about the cheapest plan possible.

LOOKER-ON.

The Use of Titles.

To the Editor of the University Missourian:

Sometime ago the University of Chicago decided that its members should be called plain "Mister," making possible exceptions in the case of Doctors of Divinity and Doctors of Medicine. Possibly in time these, too, will be eliminated. Other universities adopted or followed up the idea. At any great graduate university the title Ph. D. means no more than does a Colonel in Kentucky. Doctors of Philosophy are so common there the title carries with it little honor unless there is achievement behind it. No real man needs a title.

This wholesale use of titles has become a sign of the colloquial university. To dub the instructor, who is just out of college, doctor or professor makes a joke of the title as well as the man. This is an especially common method of grafting among Freshmen. If the big men have discarded the handles to their names except for the catalogue, it is certainly ridiculous for the little man who is not titled to allow such empty flattery. Any man who is afraid to discard his title has not much faith in his personality or ability.

M. P.

The Honor System.

To the Editor of the University Missourian:

Can it be that the differences are innate which enable the honor system to flourish in the southern colleges and universities and fail in the north and west? Back of the honor system is a high chivalry which demands respect between man and man. Any other system of examination is an insult to self respect. Is it that there is a lack of chivalry in the north and west? The main objection to the honor system is the conflict between the loyalty to the individual and loyalty to the institution. But the standard of the university can be no higher than the standard of the individual. The honor system is a process of weeding the anti-social individual out of the college community. This system has been practical in many places, but Princeton is the only northern college to adopt it successfully.

The only practical way to introduce the honor system is to start it in the grade schools. It will necessarily fail when it is begun with Freshmen as they enter college or university and when the sentiment does not thoroughly support it. They can have no conception of what it means, but if they have conformed to it in the Grammar and High Schools they will be satisfied with no other system. Judge Lindsay says that he finds this method practical in his dealing with the street arabs of Denver and these small boys have the strongest code of personal loyalty of any clan.

The honor system has never proved especially successful in women's colleges or co-educational schools where there are many women. This is largely because women are too often ruled by their emotions and sentiments to look at anything in an impersonal way. "Oh, I would not tell on any one" is the attitude of most women in regard to this system, not realizing their duty and part in the creation of public sentiment.

The fraternity system is the greatest enemy to the honor system. Many a fraternity has kept swift and just punishment from falling on the head of one of its members, thus losing the most important thing about the system—its absolute impartiality.

M. P.

Alumnus Will Marry.

Shortly after the Thanksgiving Holidays Oak Hunter a young lawyer of Moberly, will wed Miss Mary Lowell of the same place. Hunter was a student in the University of Missouri from 1898 to 1900, and now holds the office of Circuit Clerk. The bride is a daughter of James Lowell, who has long been editor of the Moberly Democrat.

THANKS!

CHARLES M. HARGER, head of the Department of Journalism of the University of Kansas, writes from Lawrence, of the University Missourian: "It is a very creditable paper. You are doing newspaper teaching in the most satisfactory way. I have recently visited the Leland Stanford and Utah universities and found that the teaching of journalism appeals strongly to the Pacific coast educators, although they have as yet done nothing definite in that line."

THE Washington-Missouri football game in Columbia last Saturday afforded the University Missourian reasons for issuing an extra, which contained a full report of the game and was on the streets five minutes after the conclusion of the struggle. It was a newspaper stunt that immortalized the Missourian and demonstrated to students of journalism that it is possible to print the news while it is news.—Ashland Bugle.

The University of Missouri has gone practically ahead with what Joseph Pulitzer of the New York World several years since made a great sensation in proposing to do and who then ostensibly set aside several hundreds of thousands or millions to accomplish. The matter was greatly discussed at the time and its timeliness and feasibility were universally recognized.

The University of Missouri, however, without any display of bunting or blare of trumpets practically took up the matter, recognized its applicability and necessity in the university curriculum and have established a School of Journalism that will demonstrate its great value and want in this progressive age.

Journalism is quite as much a profession as the law or theology or the highest ranks of literature and needs as thorough and minute a training. Again, journalism is as well paid as any of the professions and is expanding in influence, power and demand even more rapidly than any other.

Young men or boys teaching the thinking age, contemplating it or studying the field of human endeavor for a chosen sphere, and selecting it cannot make an investment that will so absolutely secure their future as to take this course in journalism. Were our life to be lived over again we should attend this school. We should seek this thorough grounding in this great profession. The course contemplates the acquirement of a thorough education, fitting man for almost any sphere in life, if the practice of journalism is not adhered to.

The expense is trifling. No tuition is charged by the University. Those at all interested, young men, ambitious boys, and those above their majority, desiring a better equipment for their work, should write the University of Missouri for fuller information.—From the Bessemer (Alabama) Weekly.

William E. Curtis, of the Chicago Record-Herald, writes: "I have read with the greatest interest and approval the announcement bulletin of the Department of Journalism of the University of Missouri. It seems to me that you are doing the right thing in the right way."

W. O. L. Jewett, editor of the Shelby Democrat, lawyer and scholar, writes: "The paper turned out by the students of the Department of Journalism is certainly creditable and enterprising."

UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCEMENT

I would like to meet all the candidates for the Varsity basketball team in my office at the Gymnasium Monday, Nov. 23, at 7:30 p. m.

I am very desirous that every candidate be present.

G. L. LOWMAN,
Coach of the Basketball Team.

When the Song is Done.

WHEN the song is done
And his heart is ashes,
Never praise the Singer
Whom you, silent, heard.
What to him the sound?
What your eyes' fond flashes?
When the singing's over
Say no word!

HE who darkling stood,
Think, your noon of praises,
Can it glimmer down
To his deepest bower?
Never round him shone
Once your garden-mazes:
Now his wandering's over
Bring no flower!

—Arthur Upson.

Scientific Punishment.

Bacteriologist (to his young son):
You have been very naughty.
"Please, papa—"
"Say no more. You sit down and count all the germs on that pinhead, and separate them into their classes, even if it takes a month!"—Life.

'VARSITY NOTES

Prof. R. Elliott Moss, of Chillicothe, was in Columbia Saturday, the guest of his brother, a senior student in Agriculture.

M. E. Neff, of Ridgeway, Missouri, visited with his son, Leroy, a freshman in the College of Arts and Science, last Friday and Saturday.

J. Herbert Smith, a junior in the Law department, and A. P. Priestly, a sophomore in the College of Arts and Science, departed for Windsor, Missouri, last Sunday.

The Home Economics reception at the Geology building Saturday night, was attended by about one hundred persons. In the receiving line were Miss Edna D. Day, Miss Dick, and Miss Thomas.

Miss Mary Paxton, who has been suffering with a sprained ankle for almost six weeks, has had a turn for the worse and the doctors have ordered her to remain in bed for a time. She will go home for a few days.

The next meeting of the Social and Political Science Section will be held Saturday, November 21, at 7:30 p. m., in the lecture-room of the Zoology building. Prof. A. O. Lovjoy will talk of "The First European Professors."

FUNNY, ISN'T IT?

ANYONE who has a strong steamboat, with appliances for propulsion on dry land, can get \$750 to \$1,000 for a few days' use of it by getting in touch at once with students of the University of Missouri at Columbia.

The railroads have declined to make an excursion rate between Columbia and Kansas City for the Thanksgiving Day football game between Missouri and Kansas. So 300 Columbia students have decided to go to Kansas City by water, if they can get a boat. They are willing to pay \$2.50 apiece.

There is no ship canal into Columbia, though the new Department of Journalism expects to start a crusade for one in its paper, the University Missourian, almost any time. So the students plan to take the boat at McBaine, Boone county.

As there are no lights on the Missouri, the boat would have to tie up at night. This would lengthen the time so that to reach Kansas City Thursday morning the boys would have to sail from McBaine early Tuesday morning. They would hope to get back in time to brush up Sunday night on their Monday lessons.

The Spread Eagle, now at the St. Louis wharfboat of the Eagle Packet Co., declined to consider the proposition.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Pike's Peak Forget-Me-Nots.

The job of Pike's Peak flower girl is no joke. Just now peachy-cheeked Dorothy Converse is filling the post, and she expects that she will be able to wind up the season, although two predecessors have already this season yielded up the assignment, owing to the effects of living so high up in the world.

Up, away up, 14,000 feet, on the very top of Pike's Peak, six or eight species of flowers are rarely found and then leading a starved existence among the rocks. But about 2,500 feet lower the mountain wears a dotted blue-and-green veil, a gracious thing, deliciously perfumed, and just like Pike's Peak forget-me-nots, and no edelweiss is more attractive, except for accumulated sentiment.

At the last water station below the summit Dorothy boards each ascending train with a small shallow oval basket, filled with a solid blue mass.

"Pike's Peak forget-me-nots, 15 cents a bunch, two for a quarter," she cries.

Instantly all the honeymooners have visions of themselves sailing far quantities of affection by gathering the blue bits on the peak, and Dorothy's business isn't so heavy as when, on the descending trains, the sentimentalists, having scoured the summit vainly buy up her stock.

The Pike's Peak forget-me-not looks like its common sister, only it is deeper blue, as becomes a flower living near the blue skies. But its perfume that doesn't come from the skies. Its perfume is its charm. At once the whiff brings a cry of arbutus—only the odor is stronger. Then after a dozen smells one distinguishes an odor as if of nicotine, and this blend of faint tobacco with stronger arbutus is weirdly fascinating.

Until the perfumer perpetuates it he has something to live for. The Pike's Peak forget-me-not crouches close to the soil, and in the height of its season, when the lights are just right, one believes the blue of the skies is still in the eyes looking at some patch of the mountainside.

Socialist Club at Michigan.

A socialist club is being organized at Michigan. It aims to study theories, not to get votes. It is open to every one in the University.